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# Warrant for the Annual Meeting.

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## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

*To the inhabitants of the Town of Amherst, in the County of Hillsborough in said state, qualified to vote in town affairs :*

You are hereby notified to meet at the town house in said Amherst, on Tuesday the tenth day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1 To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

2 To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.

3 To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for repairing highways and bridges

4 To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for school purposes.

5 To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance of town poor.

6 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for Memorial Day.

7 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the public library.

8 To see if the town will vote to exempt from taxation, for a term of five (5) years, the saw-mill, to be erected by C. E. Putnam, near So. Merrimack.

9 To raise such sums of money as may be required to pay the tuition of scholars attending school out of town.

10 To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for text-books and supplies for schools.

11 To see if the town will raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to construct a pipe-drain to remove the surface water from the vicinity of Mt. Vernon and Foundry Streets and Soldiers' monument.

12 To see if the town will vote to adopt Chapter No. 124 of the Public Statutes, relating to dealers in old metals and junk, establish the number of licenses and fees for the same.

13 To see if the town will vote to acquire the piece of land situated between the town pump and road passing by the west side of Common and between the two roads leading to the north and south of the common for a park.

14 To see if the town will vote to accept, without charge, and support the water-works of the West Cemetery, from the subscribers who have installed and for several years maintained the same.

15 To hear the reports of all town officers, agents and committees, and pass any vote relating thereto.

16 To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal the twenty-fourth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eight.

CHARLES M. BARRETT,  
LOUIS E. CLARK,  
BENJAMIN F. McNAMEE,

Selectmen of Amherst.

# Report of Selectmen

## TOWN OFFICERS

|                      |   |          |
|----------------------|---|----------|
| Charles M. Barrett,  | 1st selectman                                 | \$140 00 |
| Louis E. Clark,      | 2nd "   | 135 00   |
| Benjamin F. McNamee, | 3rd "   | 130 00   |
| Charles M. Barrett,  | overseer of poor                              | 8 00     |
| Louis E. Clark,      | " "   | 7 00     |
| B. F. McNamee        | " "   | 5 00     |
| Horace T. Harvell,   | services as special selectman                 | 6 00     |
| B. F. Whiting,       | balance due for collecting taxes for 1906     | 35 00    |
| R. H. Prince,        | special tax collector for balance of 1906 tax | 25 00    |
| Henry F. Maxwell,    | one-half salary as tax collector for 1907     | 60 00    |
| W. D. Clark,         | auditor (old bill 1906)                       | 4 00     |
| W. D. Clark,         | auditor                                       | 4 00     |
| E. E. Randall,       | "   | 4 00     |
| F. C. Taylor,        | board of health                               | 7 00     |
| E. K. Burt,          | town treasurer                                | 68 00    |
| " " "                | sexton  | 87 00    |
| E. E. Randall,       | supervisor                                    | 5 00     |
| F. W. Brown          | "   | 5 00     |
| A. M. Wilkins,       | moderator                                     | 5 00     |
| W. W. Sloan,         | town clerk                                    | 55 00    |
| " " "                | chief fire ward                               | 10 00    |
| F. O. Stevens,       | " " (old bill)                                | 10 00    |
| " " "                | " "   | 10 00    |
| James Ryan,          | chief of police 1906                          | 75 00    |
| F. O. Stevens,       | " " 1907                                      | 75 00    |
|                      |   | <hr/>    |
|                      |   | \$975 00 |

## TOWN LIBRARY.

|                                     |            |          |
|-------------------------------------|------------|----------|
| Fannie L. Clark                     | \$200 00   |          |
| Parker fund                         | 34 43      |          |
|                                     | <hr/>      | \$234 43 |
| Note with interest paid to Souhegan |            |          |
| National bank :                     |            |          |
| Principal                           | \$3,000 00 |          |
| Interest                            | 52 50      |          |

## TOWN HOUSE

|                                       |         |         |
|---------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| W. W. Sloan, supplies and care for    |         |         |
| town hall                             | \$65 10 |         |
| C. D. Wilson, supplies for town house | 1 20    |         |
| Milford Electric Co., lighting        | 29 77   |         |
| W. E. Billings, electrical supplies   | 24      |         |
|                                       | <hr/>   | \$96 31 |

## WIRING TOWN HOUSE AND ENGINE HOUSE

|                                   |          |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| J. Q. Hodgman, wiring town house  |          |          |
| and engine house                  | \$144 85 |          |
| J. Q. Hodgman, extra work on town |          |          |
| house and engine house            | 28 47    |          |
|                                   | <hr/>    | \$173 32 |

## ROADS AT BABOOSIC LAKE

|                                     |         |          |
|-------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| E. O. Hathaway, survey of roads     | \$17 35 |          |
| J. H. Dodge, road agent             | 325 15  |          |
|                                     | <hr/>   | \$342 50 |
| Donation for benefit of new road at |         |          |
| Baboosic Lake                       |         | \$25 00  |



## SCHOOLS

|   |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|
| W. W. Sloan, town appropriation         | \$4,600 00 |            |
| “ “ literary fund                       | 140 30     |            |
| “ “ Nutt fund                           | 317 51     |            |
| “ “ received from dog<br>licenses       | 207 60     |            |
| “ “ school fund from state<br>(1906)    | 150 00     |            |
| “ “ school fund from state<br>(1907)    | 150 00     |            |
|   | <hr/>      | \$5,565 41 |
| A. M. Wilkins, services on school board | 15 00      |            |
| W. W. Sloan, “ “ “                      | 50 00      |            |
| S. E. Dodge, “ “ “                      | 30 00      |            |
| W. W. Sloan, “ clerk school<br>district | 4 00       |            |
|   | <hr/>      | \$99 00    |

## TOWN POOR

|   |         |          |
|---|---------|----------|
| Aid to Mrs. E. W. Peacock                                     | \$82 00 |          |
| Dr. Frederick Chandler, medical<br>attendance on Mrs. Peacock | 13 00   |          |
| Mrs. A. C. Pearson  | 90 00   |          |
| Aid to Charles Wyman  | 35 71   |          |
| Aid to Austin Merrill   | 130 00  |          |
| Aid to Mrs. A. T. Rideout                                     | 150 00  |          |
| E. K. Burtt, funeral expenses for A.<br>T. Rideout            | 38 50   |          |
|   | <hr/>   | \$539 21 |

## SOLDIERS' AID

|   |        |         |
|---|--------|---------|
| E. H. Taft, medical attendance for<br>O. P. Smith | \$2 00 |         |
| W. D. Clark, groceries for O. P. Smith            | 13 00  |         |
| Sarah Lowe, rent for “ “                          | 11 00  |         |
|   | <hr/>  | \$26 00 |

## COUNTY POOR

|   |         |          |
|---|---------|----------|
| W. D. Clark, goods for Mary Buckley                               | \$78 00 |          |
| Aid to Mary Gardner   | 13 00   |          |
| Frank Noble, care of John Dauley                                  | 1 00    |          |
| C. M. Barrett, expense to Grasmere in<br>care of Dauley child     | 7 50    |          |
| Frederick Chandler, medical attend-<br>ance to Perley Palmer      | 7 50    |          |
| Frederick Chandler, medical attend-<br>ance to Mrs. William Brown | 2 50    |          |
| Frederick Chandler, medical attend-<br>ance to E. O. Chaplin      | 2 50    |          |
| C. M. Barrett, expense of taking<br>George Merrill to Grasmere    | 4 20    |          |
|   | <hr/>   | \$116 20 |

## WATER BILLS

|                                |        |          |
|--------------------------------|--------|----------|
| H. H. Belden, rent for hydrant | \$6 00 |          |
| P. M. Odell                    | 3 00   |          |
| D. H. Rhoades                  | 3 00   |          |
| Mrs. E. W. Nichols             | 30 00  |          |
| John A. Hanson                 | 2 00   |          |
| Amherst Aqueduct Co.           | 30 00  |          |
| E. H. Peaslee                  | 3 00   |          |
| H. T. Harvell                  | 2 00   |          |
| George P. Bennett              | 3 00   |          |
| E. K. Burt, water in cemetery  | 10 00  |          |
| F. C. Taylor                   | 6 00   |          |
| Frank Hartshorn                | 3 00   |          |
| C. P. Wheeler                  | 3 00   |          |
| Harry Boutelle                 | 3 00   |          |
| A. M. Philbrick                | 3 00   |          |
|                                | <hr/>  | \$110 00 |

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

|                        |      |
|------------------------|------|
| Mark Bennett, supplies | 1 75 |
| W. D. Clark,       "   | 8 53 |

|   |         |          |
|---|---------|----------|
| C. W. Dodge, cleaning reservoirs                  | 2 55    |          |
| W. F. French, sulphuric acid                      | 98      |          |
| W. W. Sloan, pay for members of fire department   | 200 00  |          |
| Cornelius Callahan Co., supplies                  | 16 88   |          |
| Milford Electric Co., lights for engine house     | 1 56    |          |
| W. W. Sloan, expense for engine house             | 1 55    |          |
| “ “ care of engine house                          | 12 00   |          |
|   | <hr/>   | \$245 80 |
| H. K. Barnes, fire horn for engine house          | \$18 50 |          |
| H. H. Parkhurst, putting up horn                  | 10 71   |          |
| F. C. Taylor, pipe and labor                      | 3 85    |          |
| F. O. Stevens, expense to Boston to purchase horn | 3 00    |          |
|   | <hr/>   | \$36 06  |

## STREET LIGHTING

|                      |          |
|----------------------|----------|
| Milford Electric Co. | \$555 00 |
|----------------------|----------|

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

|               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| John H. Dodge | \$1,934 55 |
|---------------|------------|

## AMOUNT RESERVED FOR PERMANENT HIGHWAYS

|                           |         |          |
|---------------------------|---------|----------|
| Amount unexpended in 1906 | \$73 87 |          |
| “ unexpended in 1907      | 624 00  |          |
|                           | <hr/>   | \$697 87 |

## SNOW BILLS

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| John H. Dodge | \$188 06 |
|---------------|----------|

## POLICE COURT

|               |         |
|---------------|---------|
| A. M. Wilkins | \$25 00 |
|---------------|---------|

## BROWN TAIL MOTHS

|   |          |          |
|---|----------|----------|
| C. M. Barrett, bounty paid on moth nests                | \$148 40 |          |
| L. E. Clark, bounty paid on moth nests                  | 123 50   |          |
| B. F. McNamee, bounty paid on moth nests                | 347 73   |          |
| W. B. Rotch, printing circulars relating to moths       | 3 50     |          |
| Emma L. Clark, addressing circulars relating to moths   | 2 00     |          |
| C. M. Barrett, postage and stationery                   | 5 62     |          |
| Munson Whittaker Co., removing nests from town property | 73 77    |          |
| Samuel A. Caldwell, labor                               | 6 87     |          |
|   | <hr/>    | \$711 39 |

## ABATEMENT OF TAXES FOR 1906

|                                   |        |          |
|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|
| B. F. Whiting on Melendy estate   | \$3 60 |          |
| R. H. Prince, abatements for 1906 | 113 37 |          |
|                                   | <hr/>  | \$116 97 |

## ABATEMENT OF TAXES 1907

|                                 |        |         |
|---------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Henry Maxwell for Nelson Fosher | \$4 00 |         |
| “ “ H. H. Belden                | 14 00  |         |
| “ “ Alphonso Staples            | 7 00   |         |
| “ “ Roscoe Parkhurst            | 3 00   |         |
| “ “ E. J. Shattuck              | 6 80   |         |
| “ “ Nathan Cady                 | 2 00   |         |
| “ “ E. K. Jewett                | 52     |         |
|                                 | <hr/>  | \$37 32 |

## COUNTY TAX

|                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| Arthur S. Healey | \$1,095 22 |
|------------------|------------|

## STATE TAX

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| Solon A. Carter | \$1,400 00 |
|-----------------|------------|

## MEMORIAL DAY

|              |         |
|--------------|---------|
| Eben Meserve | \$50 00 |
|--------------|---------|

## CEMETERY FUND

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Parker fund, invested in Amoskeag bank | \$1,000 00 |
|--|------------|

## DR.

|                       |         |
|-----------------------|---------|
| To interest from bank | \$40 93 |
|-----------------------|---------|

## CR.

|   |         |         |
|---|---------|---------|
| A. C. Decatur, painting fence                   | \$4 00  |         |
| E. K. Burt, labor on Parker lot                 | 2 50    |         |
| Balance paid treasurer of library trustees      | 34 43   |         |
|   | <hr/>   | \$40 93 |
| E. K. Burt, labor on cemetery lots              | \$56 00 |         |
| Robert Atkinson, cleaning slabs on Moore lot    | 3 00    |         |
| Robert Atkinson, cleaning slabs on Converse lot | 4 00    |         |
| Robert Atkinson, cleaning slabs on Boylston lot | 5 00    |         |
| Robert Atkinson, cleaning base on Howard lot    | 6 00    |         |
| I. H. Carlton, repairing Lydia Fulton headstone | 2 00    |         |
|   | <hr/>   | \$76 00 |

## MISCELLANEOUS

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Advertising and selling Garrity place<br>for taxes                           | \$7 54 |
| W. B. Rotch, printing town reports   | 58 00  |
| John Dodge, carrying men to Frank<br>Chase's fire                            | 1 50   |
| Lilla D. Stott, searching records  | 12 95  |
| W. B. Rotch, printing selectmen's<br>notice                                  | 75     |
| Edson C. Easton, supplies  | 2 41   |
| Emma L. Clark, copying   | 12 00  |
| F. O. Stevens, service at McGuiness<br>fire                                  | 3 20   |
| J. B. Pettengill, trustee Lawrence<br>school fund                            | 81 15  |
| R. T. Knight, labor in cemetery  | 18 90  |
| C. L. Coggin, putting lock on town<br>house                                  | 50     |
| C. H. Burnham, mowing grass on<br>common                                     | 1 00   |
| A. C. Decatur, labor and stock<br>painting doors and thresholds<br>of church | 3 50   |
| J. H. Dodge, cutting brush at dump   | 7 75   |
| W. W. Sloan, brush fire at Brown farm  | 43 22  |
| " " " " Walker farm  | 6 75   |
| A. H. Ogden, work at McGuiness fire  | 3 00   |
| Geo. A. Jenkins, work at McGuiness fire                                      | 2 00   |
| H. M. Parker, work on watering trough  | 3 00   |
| B. Munson, work at McGuiness fire  | 3 00   |
| Leslie Weston, " " "   | 3 00   |
| A. W. Howison, drain pipe (old bill)   | 3 60   |
| E. C. Eastman, town order books  | 2 16   |
| A. J. Moody, services as justice   | 1 75   |
| J. B. Pettengill, returning births and<br>deaths                             | 4 25   |
| Eugene Wason, returning births and<br>deaths                                 | 50     |
| H. S. Hutchinson, returning births<br>and deaths                             | 1 75   |
| Frederick Chandler, returning births<br>and deaths                           | 1 50   |

|  |       |          |
|--|-------|----------|
| George S. Wheeler, tuning piano  | 3 00  |          |
| F. T. Boutelle, work at McGuinness fire                                  | 3 00  |          |
| W. B. Rotch, printing checklists and notices                             | 11 75 |          |
| Horace Harvell, mowing grass in cemetery                                 | 2 00  |          |
| A. C. Decatur, repairs on engine house and setting glass in hearse house | 1 45  |          |
| F. C. Taylor, repairs for town house                                     | 1 25  |          |
| “ “ “ “ Lawrence Engine Co.  | 1 85  |          |
| “ “ supplies for board of health   | 5 75  |          |
| “ “ repairs and care of watering trough                                  | 4 75  |          |
| C. M. Barrett, expenses to Concord and Manchester and telephone charges  | 3 25  |          |
| W. L. Cross, mowing grass in cemetery                                    | 2 00  |          |
| B. F. McNamee, stationery, stamps, telephone and express charges         | 2 41  |          |
| E. K. Burt, labor and cash paid  | 29 55 |          |
| “ “ postage and stationery   | 1 00  |          |
| “ “ expenses to Manchester and Nashua                                    | 3 00  |          |
| W. W. Sloan, care of town clock  | 15 00 |          |
| “ “ returning marriages, births and deaths                               | 15 00 |          |
| “ “ notifying jurors   | 3 00  |          |
| “ “ returning marriages, births and deaths not heretofore reported       | 2 25  |          |
| Edward Weeks' work at McGuinness fire                                    | 3 00  |          |
| J. H. Dodge, carrying men to Chestnut Hill fire                          | 3 00  |          |
|  | <hr/> | \$407 89 |

CHARLES M. BARRETT,  
 LOUIS E. CLARK,  
 BENJAMIN F. McNAMEE,  
*Selectmen of Amberst, N. H.*

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. D. WILSON  
 W. D. CLARK  
*Auditors.*

# Report of Treasurer

## CASH RECEIVED

|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| Balance in hands of treasurer Feb. 16, |                   |
| 1907                                   | \$1,748 84        |
| Insurance tax                          | 8 25              |
| Railroad "                             | 268 25            |
| Savings bank tax                       | 1,299 61          |
| Literary fund                          | 140 30            |
| School "                               | 150 00            |
| Hillsborough county                    | 142 20            |
| Police court                           | 32 09             |
| Licenses on dogs                       | 221 40            |
| Cemetery lots                          | 36 00             |
| Rent of hall                           | 64 50             |
| Interest on Mary Nutt fund             | 317 51            |
| " " Parker "                           | 40 93             |
| H. W. Secomb, cemetery fund            | 50 00             |
| W. D. Forsaith " "                     | 200 00            |
| Souhegan bank                          | 3,000 00          |
| Nashua Savings bank, Lawrence          |                   |
| school fund                            | 81 15             |
| Sale of street light                   | 75                |
| B. F. McNamee, for license             | 6 00              |
| R. H. Prince, tax sale                 | 7 50              |
| Taxes for 1906                         | 1,590 10          |
| Extra tax for "                        | 17 10             |
| Interest on tax "                      | 60 79             |
| Taxes for 1907                         | 11,067 44         |
| Extra tax " "                          | 156 80            |
| Interest " "                           | 13 36             |
| Donations for benefit of new road at   |                   |
| Baboosic lake                          | 25 00             |
|  | <hr/> \$20,745 87 |



## CASH PAID

|                                    |            |             |
|------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| State tax                          | \$1,400 00 |             |
| County "                           | 1,095 22   |             |
| Memorial appropriation             | 50 00      |             |
| Library "                          | 200 00     |             |
| Library, interest on Parker fund   | 34 43      |             |
| Principal and interest             | 3,052 50   |             |
| Justice                            | 25 00      |             |
| Highway                            | 1,934 55   |             |
| New Highway                        | 342 50     |             |
| Snow                               | 188 06     |             |
| Schools                            | 5,664 41   |             |
| Town officers                      | 975 00     |             |
| Water                              | 110 00     |             |
| Street lights                      | 555 00     |             |
| Fire department                    | 245 80     |             |
| Town aid                           | 539 21     |             |
| County aid                         | 116 20     |             |
| Soldiers' aid                      | 26 00      |             |
| Expenses of hall                   | 96 31      |             |
| Abatement of taxes for 1906        | 116 97     |             |
| " " " " 1907                       | 37 32      |             |
| Interest on cemetery funds         | 82 50      |             |
| Fire horn                          | 36 06      |             |
| Wiring town house and enging house | 173 32     |             |
| Destroying moth nests              | 711 39     |             |
| Miscellaneous                      | 407 89     |             |
| Cash in treasury                   | 2,530 23   |             |
|                                    | <hr/>      | \$20,745 87 |

## RECAPITULATION

|   |             |            |
|---|-------------|------------|
| Whole amount received                   | \$20,745 87 |            |
| Paid on orders                          | 18,215 64   |            |
| Balance in hands of treasurer           | <hr/>       | \$2,530 23 |
| Uncollected tax for 1907                |             | 1,369 98   |
|   |             | <hr/>      |
|   |             | \$3,900 21 |
| Cemetery funds and interest in treasury |             | 4,128 59   |
| Balance against the town                |             | 228 38     |

Respectfully Submitted,

E. K. BURTT, *Treasurer.*

Feb. 17, 1908.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account  
and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. D. WILSON

W. D. CLARK

*Auditor.*

## CEMETERY FUNDS IN TREASURY

|                      |       | Int. due | Expended | Balance in<br>Treasury |
|----------------------|-------|----------|----------|------------------------|
| Lucy W. Blunt        | \$100 | \$ 7 39  | \$ 1 50  | \$ 5 89                |
| Charles H. Nutt      | 300   | 45 10    | 11 50    | 33 60                  |
| Charles H. Campbell  | 400   | 31 51    | 2 50     | 29 26                  |
| Henry Howard         | 200   | 38 46    | 8 00     | 30 46                  |
| Sarah F. Upham       | 200   | 20 81    | 9 00     | 11 81                  |
| Laura E. Belden      | 200   | 31 41    | 3 00     | 28 41                  |
| Isaac B. Dodge       | 100   | 14 31    | 2 00     | 12 31                  |
| Mary W. Richardson   | 100   | 10 52    | 2 50     | 8 02                   |
| Bartholomew Dodge    | 100   | 8 46     | 0 75     | 7 71                   |
| Roxanna H. Cutter    | 100   | 13 31    | 2 00     | 11 31                  |
| Harriet F. Clark     | 100   | 12 25    | 4 00     | 8 25                   |
| M. Frances Moor      | 100   | 10 27    | 5 00     | 5 27                   |
| Henry C. Dodge       | 400   | 45 13    | 4 00     | 41 13                  |
| George Bontelle      | 100   | 5 69     | 2 50     | 3 19                   |
| John H. Clark        | 100   | 12 93    | 0 00     | 12 92                  |
| Mrs. James U. Prince | 100   | 6 43     | 2 50     | 3 93                   |
| Lucy F. Boylston     | 300   | 27 63    | 7 50     | 20 13                  |
| Hannah C. Foster     | 100   | 6 58     | 2 00     | 4 58                   |
| Kate R. Hamilton     | 75    | 5 99     | 0 75     | 5 24                   |
| Mrs. James P. Nourse | 50    | 4 32     | 0 75     | 3 57                   |
| Mrs. Charles McAfee  | 100   | 4 95     | 2 00     | 2 95                   |
| Chester Shipley      | 100   | 6 58     | 1 50     | 5 08                   |
| John A. Ober         | 50    | 2 62     | 1 00     | 1 62                   |
| Henry Merrill        | 100   | 5 35     | 0 00     | 5 35                   |
| Henry W. Secomb      | 50    | 1 30     | 0 00     | 1 30                   |
| Wilson D. Forsaith   | 200   | 0 29     | 0 00     | 0 29                   |

## MARY P. NUTT SCHOOL FUND

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| In savings banks                          | \$5,000 00 |
| DR.                                       |            |
| To interest from banks                    | \$317 51   |
| CR.                                       |            |
| By cash paid treasurer Board of Education | \$317 51   |
| E. K. BURTT, <i>Treasurer.</i>            |            |

# Report of Road Agent.

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JOHN H. DODGE, ROAD AGENT, *In account with*  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
DR.

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| For highways, received of town treasurer, per<br>order of the selectmen | \$1,934 53 |
| Old lumber sold   | 75         |
| Loan of pump  | 1 25       |

CR. \$1,936 53

|                  |        |
|------------------|--------|
| John Hadlock     | \$8 35 |
| L. F. Bill       | 2 20   |
| A. W. Howison    | 15 20  |
| P. M. Odell      | 1 57   |
| Joseph Vetallel  | 3 50   |
| Charles Pherson  | 8 51   |
| A. C. Decator    | 33 65  |
| L. E. Weston     | 3 80   |
| J. A. Barker     | 7 68   |
| W. F. French     | 52     |
| E. A. Seabury    | 1 80   |
| A. B. Black      | 25 00  |
| Freight          | 41     |
| J. B. Varick     | 5 85   |
| James Pendergast | 10 50  |
| John Smith       | 9 00   |
| S. S. Merrow     | 14 63  |
| Ed Chaplin       | 11 37  |
| James Allard     | 9 63   |
| Joe Gowett       | 1 75   |
| J. M. Currier    | 1 63   |
| D. Dube          | 28 26  |
| J. E. Caldwell   | 57 13  |
| H. H. Belden     | 14 30  |

|                    |                  |
|--------------------|------------------|
| W. P. Fuller       | 42 75            |
| Frank Hartshorn    | 32 68            |
| John Stifon        | 85 58            |
| Joseph Rogan       | 92 15            |
| William Jennings   | 115 90           |
| Jacob Goldsky      | 92 05            |
| B. Monson          | 84 88            |
| Jacob Good         | 98 10            |
| Ed Sown            | 144 63           |
| Charles O'Neil     | 16 63            |
| Guy Bill           | 40 78            |
| B. West            | 54 51            |
| W. L. Robinson     | 3 00             |
| Clinton Adams      | 4 65             |
| George Hanson      | 10 39            |
| C. D. Wilson       | 5 18             |
| Charles Converse   | 2 40             |
| Charles P. Wheeler | 4 14             |
| Rhoades & Annis    | 30               |
| J. H. Dodge        | 302 00           |
| Team               | 410 79           |
| W. D. Clark        | 15 95            |
| Frank Vetallet     | 1 75             |
|                    | <hr/> \$1,936 53 |

Respectfully submitted,

J. ~~67~~ DODGE.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. D. WILSON

W. D. CLARK

*Auditors.*

## SNOW ACCOUNT

|  |        |          |
|--|--------|----------|
| Amount received of town treasurer as per<br>order of selectmen |        | \$188 06 |
| W. L. Cross  | \$5 60 |          |
| A. M. Philbrick  | 2 40   |          |
| J. E. Towle  | 7 50   |          |
| George Parker  | 1 30   |          |
| John H. Dodge  | 15 55  |          |
| E. H. Peaslee  | 4 80   |          |
| Estate of F. W. Chase  | 1 80   |          |
| Charles J. Upham   | 1 80   |          |
| J. A. Boutelle   | 2 60   |          |
| James Broderick  | 2 00   |          |
| L. H. Pease  | 12 70  |          |
| Frank Hartshorn  | 4 55   |          |
| O. S. Adams  | 11 70  |          |
| LaBoute & Co.  | 5 85   |          |
| S. S. Merrow   | 11 95  |          |
| L. F. Bills  | 10 12  |          |
| H. Boutell   | 4 20   |          |
| W. W. Goodale  | 3 15   |          |
| H. J. Cochran  | 21 60  |          |
| Voscoe Plummer   | 4 87   |          |
| John Harvell   | 10 60  |          |
| John McGuinness  | 2 00   |          |
| A. H. Caldwell   | 2 00   |          |
| Frank Shoren   | 97     |          |
| Nelson Merchant  | 2 20   |          |
| P. M. Odell  | 21 95  |          |
| E. C. Hubbard  | 6 80   |          |
| Frank Holbrook   | 5 50   |          |
| <hr/>  |        | \$188 06 |

Respectfully submitted

J. H. DODGE,

*Road Agent.*

Feb. 17, 1908.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account  
and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. D. WILSON

W. D. CLARK

*Auditors.*

# Report of Tax Collector.

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|   |             |             |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| Amount of taxes for collection<br>as assessed     | \$12,430 40 |             |
| Amount of extra taxes for col-<br>lection         | 163 82      |             |
| Total tax for collection                          |             | \$12,594 22 |
| CR.   |             |             |
| By amount paid town treasurer                     | \$11,067 44 |             |
| “ of extra taxes paid<br>town treasurer           | 156 80      |             |
|   |             | 11,224 24   |
| Amount uncollected and in hands of col-<br>lector |             | \$1,369 98  |

## INTEREST ACCOUNT.

|                          |         |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Dr.                      | \$13 36 |
| CR.                      |         |
| By amount paid treasurer | \$13 36 |

H. F. MAXWELL, *Collector.*

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account  
and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. D. WILSON,  
W. D. CLARK,  
*Auditors.*

# REPORT OF R. H. PRINCE ON B. F. WHITING ACCOUNT AS TAX COLLECTOR, 1906

|   |          |          |
|---|----------|----------|
| Amount of taxes to be collected                   |          | \$329 22 |
|   | Cr.      |          |
| By abatements                                     | \$113 37 |          |
| cash paid treasurer                               | 215 85   |          |
|   | <hr/>    | \$329 22 |
| Interest on taxes                                 |          | 10 77    |
| Amount paid for sale of taxes on Garrity property |          | 7 50     |

# REPORT OF R. H. PRINCE ON B. F. WHITING ACCOUNT AS TAX COLLECTOR

## LIST OF ABATEMENTS OF TAXES, 1906

|  |        |          |
|--|--------|----------|
| Charles Goodale                        | \$1 80 |          |
| John Whiting                           | 28 80  |          |
| Patsy Baker                            | 1 80   |          |
| Charles Baker                          | 1 80   |          |
| Patrick Doyle                          | 1 80   |          |
| Charles Patterson                      | 1 80   |          |
| Fred Hanson                            | 1 80   |          |
| George Lenney                          | 1 80   |          |
| L. A. Clough                           | 45 00  |          |
| Truman Parker                          | 13 29  |          |
| John Brennan                           | 1 80   |          |
| R. Elliott                             | 2 88   |          |
| Patrick Hennessy                       | 1 80   |          |
| Frank Bills, taxed in another district | 1 80   |          |
| James Clarkin                          | 1 80   |          |
| Ed Chaplain                            | 1 80   |          |
| John Burns                             | 1 80   |          |
|  | <hr/>  | \$113 37 |

# Report of Trust Funds.

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## TRUSTEES OF AARON LAWRENCE SCHOOL FUND

### DR.

|  |            |            |
|--|------------|------------|
| Balance Feb. 12, 1907  | \$1,461 17 |            |
| April 1, interest  | 52 50      |            |
| July 1, received of the town treasurer final dividend from Nashua Savings bank | 81 15      |            |
|  | <hr/>      | \$1,594 82 |

### CR.

|   |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|
| Deposited in City Guaranty Savings bank | \$1,461 17 |            |
| July 1, 1908, deposited                 | 81 15      |            |
|   | <hr/>      |            |
| Making                                  |            | \$1,542 32 |
| Paid school board Feb. 10, 1908         |            | 52 50      |
|   |            | <hr/>      |
|   |            | \$1,594 82 |

Leaving a balance in our hands of \$1,542 32.

J. B. PETTENGILL,  
D. A. FLETCHER,

*Trustees.*



# REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SPALD- ING SCHOOL FUND

The investments are as follows :

|                          |            |             |
|--------------------------|------------|-------------|
| City of Nashua bonds     | \$5,000 00 |             |
| “ Concord water bonds    | 3,000 00   |             |
| Peterboro Railroad stock | 1,500 00   |             |
| Amoskeag Savings bank    | 500 00     |             |
|                          | <hr/>      | \$10,000 00 |

## Dr.

|                                   |         |          |
|-----------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Dividend Peterboro Railroad stock | \$60 00 |          |
| “ Nashua city bonds               | 200 00  |          |
| “ Concord water bonds             | 105 00  |          |
| “ Amoskeag Savings bank           | 24 80   |          |
|                                   | <hr/>   | \$389 80 |

## Cr.

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Paid W. W. Sloan, treasurer | \$389 80 |
|-----------------------------|----------|

FRANK HARTSHORN,  
WILLIAM PRATT,  
J. APPLETON SKINNER,  
*Trustees.*

# Report of Police Court

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There have been five cases before the court the past year, all of them of a criminal nature. Two of them were discharged, the other three paid their fines and costs.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

| DR.                         |         |         |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|
| To fines and costs          |         | \$37 13 |
| CR                          |         |         |
| By cash paid town treasurer | \$32 09 |         |
| “ “ for fees and complaints | 5 04    |         |
|                             |         | \$37 13 |

The selectmen have drawn one order as follows:

|                       |         |
|-----------------------|---------|
| For salary of justice | \$25 00 |
|-----------------------|---------|

AARON M. WILKINS, *Justice.*

WILLIAM D. CLARK, *Special Justice.*

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. D. WILSON,  
W. D. CLARK,  
*Auditors.*

# TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

## OF THE

# AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY

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### OFFICERS

|                         |                           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| President               | Rev. Charles Ernest White |
| Secretary and treasurer | Mrs. Fanny L. Clark       |
| Librarian               | Mrs. Alice M. Wyman       |

### TRUSTEES

|                            |                           |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Mrs. Fanny L. Clark,       | term expiring March, 1908 |
| Rev. Charles Ernest White, | " " " "                   |
| Mrs. Elizabeth W. Nichols, | " " " 1909                |
| John H. Clark,             | " " " "                   |
| Miss L. R. Fletcher,       | " " " 1910                |
| Aaron M. Wilkins,          | " " " "                   |

### IN GENERAL

During the year the library has had good patronage, an average of nearly seventy books and thirty magazines being circulated each week, and about thirty books in the same period, among the families represented.

The wisdom of having a large number of the better class of magazines is continually being demonstrated in the wide use of them. Incidentally it is much desired by the trustees that the magazines should receive not *less* use, but *more careful* use, in order that they may be in better condition for binding at the end of the year.

It has been a period of adjustment to the new arrangement of the books, and by this time the advantages of the class system must be self-evident to all frequenters of the shelves.

The following figures give a statistical summary for the year :

|                              |       |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Number of books issued       | 3,428 |
| “ “ magazines “              | 1,560 |
|                              | <hr/> |
| Total circulation            | 4,988 |
| Cards issued                 | 280   |
| Families represented         | 98    |
| Number of volumes purchased  | 65    |
| “ “ “ donated                | 11    |
| “ “ “ bound                  | 17    |
|                              | <hr/> |
| Total additions              | 93    |
| Total volumes, Feb. 15, 1908 | 4,538 |

### THE PARKER FUND

This fund has made it possible to purchase thirty books this year, and they are as follows :

Bullen. Our Heritage of the Sea.  
 Commons. Races and Immigrants in America.  
 Cornish. Public School Speaker.  
 Duncan. Chemistry of Commerce.  
 Field. Little Book of Western Verse.  
 Grenfell. Vikings of Today.  
 Hadley. Standards of Public Morality.  
 Kenelly. Wireless Telegraphy.  
 McCook. Nature's Craftsmen.  
 Paine. The Greater America.  
 Roberts. Haunters of the Silences.  
 Sakurai. Human Bullets.  
 Stedman. American Anthology.  
 Talbot. My People of the Plains.  
 Van Dyke. Studies in Pictures.  
 Wallington. Historic Churches.  
 Wells. Future in America.

White. Our Wonderful Progress.  
 Wordsworth. Poetical Works.  
 Bowen. Master of Stair.  
 Davis. Victor of Salamis.  
 Hewlett. Stooping Lady.  
 Howells. Through the Eye of the Needle.  
 King. Rock of Chicamauga.  
 Mason. Running Water.  
 Oxenham. Long Road.  
 Parker. Weavers.  
 Van Dyke. Days Off.  
 Watson. St. Jude's.  
 Wharton. Fruit of the Tree.

### DONATIONS.

Fortune has not smiled on the library this year in this respect and we record a noteworthy decline in gifts. Only four books, other than state documents, have been donated. Three by James W. Townes, and a manuscript record book of citizens meetings in Amherst previous to the Civil War, by Mrs. Emma P. Locke.

### MAGAZINES.

Eighteen magazines have been on the list, and have been freely used, as noted earlier in this report. George H. Campbell, as in previous years, presented McClure's Magazine. William B. Rotch has continued his regard for the Library by the presentation of the issues of the Milford Cabinet for the year.

Would that there might be provided some method of storing the future bound volumes of this periodical, as the case, with its complete file, from the first volume of 1902, is now filled to overflowing.

The magazine list is as follows :

The Bookman.  
 The Century Magazine.  
 The Granite Monthly.  
 Harper's Magazine.  
 The Ladies' Home Journal.

Little Folks (American edition.)  
 The Munsey.  
 McClure's Magazine.  
 New England Magazine.  
 Outlook.  
 The Review of Reviews.  
 Scribner's Magazine.  
 St. Nicholas.  
 Success Magazine.  
 Talks and Tales.  
 The World's Work.  
 The World Today.  
 The Youth's Companion.

#### PUBLIC DOCUMENTS.

New Hampshire Annual Reports 1905-6, 4 vols.  
 " " Surgeons of the Rebellion.  
 " " Manual of General Court, 1907.  
 Report of Library of Congress, 1907.  
 12 pamphlets from Dept. of Agriculture.

#### BULLETINS OF NEW BOOKS.

As an experiment, a semi-annual bulletin of additions was issued in September, but did not appear to add to the efficiency of the library, so that simply an annual bulletin will now be issued, these bulletins are gratis and may be secured at the Library.

There follows the report of the treasurer :

Respectfully submitted,

THE TRUSTEES.  
 by the president.

# TREASURERS REPORT OF AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY.

|                                      |         |          |
|--------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Balance                              | \$26 45 |          |
| Parker fund                          | 37 80   |          |
| Appropriation                        | 200 00  |          |
| Fines                                | 2 54    |          |
| McClure's for 1908                   | 1 50    |          |
| Received Feb. 15, 1908, Parker fund, | 34 43   |          |
|                                      | <hr/>   | \$302 72 |

|                          |         |          |
|--------------------------|---------|----------|
| Librarian                | \$50 00 |          |
| Janitor                  | 15 00   |          |
| Cleaning                 | 3 00    |          |
| Books                    | 67 19   |          |
| Lighting                 | 11 67   |          |
| Printing                 | 4 75    |          |
| Binding                  | 14 48   |          |
| Wood and labor           | 25 25   |          |
| Labor on grounds         | 3 75    |          |
| Magazines                | 32 40   |          |
| Magazine (old bill)      | 3 00    |          |
| New stamp, pad, etc.     | 4 08    |          |
| Postage, cards, etc.     | 3 34    |          |
| Balance for binding      | 30 38   |          |
| On hand from Parker fund | 34 43   |          |
|                          | <hr/>   | \$302 72 |

FANNY L CLARK, Treasurer.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account  
and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. D. WILSON,  
W. D. CLARK,  
*Auditors.*

# Amherst School Board.

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## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the School Board of Amherst :

The close of another year brings us to a time of retrospect of the school work for my second annual report.

Throughout the country during the past year there has been a grand movement for outward progress, and the Amherst schools have been marching in the line.

The work which has been done and the improvements which have been made have been in a very quiet manner that has created no external commotion or special interest ; yet there has been a gradual, steady growth.

To those who have had the opportunity of visiting and watching the daily work of the schools, the advance in system and methods of the work of our schools must be apparent. If all the taxpayers could keep closer in touch with the schools and learn of the work that is being done, they would feel much better satisfied with the returns we are getting for the money invested in our schools.

The highest aim of education should be to train manhood and womanhood for highest citizenship and the greatest enjoyment of the best and most there is in life.

The education of our schools is free to all, and the work is becoming more attractive and adaptable to the needs of the general public. The increase of interest in education is not due wholly to the fact that parents are becoming more anxious for their children to get a classical education, but that the schools are becoming broader in their scope, and the American conceptions of education at public expense are growing more comprehensive.

Instead of teaching grammar school children merely to do puzzles with symbols and to memorize barren inflec-



tions, we are, though too slowly, yielding to the up-to-date impulse to grant to all boys and girls, poor and rich the privilege of free schooling for whatever their proposed calling—their birthright to a start in life. The modern principle of free general education and training, if carried out to its legitimate results, has great possibilities, and may even help to solve the modern problems of labor, capital and finance. In this industrial age, our educational training ought to be directed to the training of skilled labor. This is of special interest to every taxpayer; and if the training of these workmen is at public expense and under public control, the questions of employment and wages will be settled on the fair and normal basis of efficiency and not be at the mercy of a trust of capital of money, nor a trust of labor.

This, however, is an ideal for the larger communities; yet the opportunities and advantages of our schools sufficiently warrant the introduction of the arts and crafts, or some manual training. The financial condition is the great objection to the introduction of this advance work, yet something can and should be done. We cannot begin everything at once, but we may foster worthy ideals and have definite aims.

A great effort has been put forth during the past year to have all pupils gain an ability for more intelligent reading; to acquire a better knowledge and use of the English language; to gain freedom of movement and legibility in penmanship; and to get a better knowledge of geography by a more definite study of the world's industries, their relation to natural resources, and the relations of situation, climate, natural resources, productions and occupations. Much of the study of geography has been far too abstract.

We are trying to give the pupils a practical, useable knowledge of the subjects considered. Modern methods and writers of modern Arithmetics are endeavoring to discriminate just what few things the child may work and drill on to gain the most useful results. In the past children have spent much time upon Arithmetic with disproportionately small results, either in accuracy or in reasoning. The development of the latter has been most sadly neglected. We are putting strong emphasis upon

this phase. The geometrical relations are more elementary than the complex symbolic language of Arithmetic. Children have been taught to juggle with figures without realizing or appreciating their content. They have learned rules and processes without the thought behind these symbols. Hence when the boy has finished school he is wholly unable to meet the simplest demands of the commercial world. The ability to work puzzles, and to clear up a very complex arrangement of figures may be commendable, but it is better that the child understand commercial terms and usages, and to be able to work every-day business Arithmetic.

We have by no means yet reached the goal, nor is the regeneration of Arithemite complete, but we believe we have the clue upon the track of the monster who has puzzled the brains and worried the nerves of the children, and given but little in return. We aim to teach business and commercial arithmetic in such a manner in the lower grades that if the child should leave school from the sixth grade he may be better able to do the arithmetic necessary for general life, and that, ere long, the business men, who have so justly complained, may be better satisfied with the figuring of their clerks fresh from the schools.

In other studies the effort is likewise to emphasize the intent of the subject, based upon the principles and true values as distinguished from the accessory elements. So also in matters of discipline and morals. We are emphasizing the important scientific study of the individual child, his capabilities and needs. We are learning that the child is a somebody, that in nearly every child there runs a golden thread of efficiency, and it is the work of the educator to find which way the thread is coursing, and to so wisely direct it, and to so supervise his development that he will be in the line of success and will learn to share his own responsibilities.

We are emphatically seeing the lack of the parental training of the former country home, where the child was closely guarded and directed, and his duties of work were such that his idle hours for mischief and injury were very few. Just how the old-fashioned parental training is to be replaced by something as effective is not yet determined to everybody's satisfaction, and the transition

period is marked by this deplorable era of license of liberty tending toward hoodlumism. But we must not confuse the real ends with accidental conditions. Greater liberty of self-control will undoubtedly develop better manhood and stronger womanhood if the craft of life is not shipwrecked in battling with the storms of circumstances and environment while seeking the desired haven. In view of the present conditions, the minority of parents may stand more closely to virtue, but the work of supplying the moral home training of the past falls upon the schools. Our schools are doing this work well, and we solicit the help and co-operation of the parents in the disciplinary training of their children. They should stand with recognized authority as the sealers of moral weights and measures. Parents should treat with contempt the misconduct of their children, rather than treating it lightly or siding with them against the discipline of the school. It is a notable pleasing fact that, almost without exception, the discipline of our schools is very commendable, uncommonly good; but the conduct and moral influence of the children out of school is often far from what it should be. To better these conditions, as especially essential in the child's training, and for the best good of the community, the teacher needs the earnest co-operation of parents and friends.

Some have a feeling that our school system requires too much work on the part of pupils for their own good. It is true that the colleges are raising their standards and demanding more and more of the high schools, and in turn we must demand more of the grades, and care must be taken lest we run our train of progress to a speed destructive to the health of its passengers. Good health and vigor are more valuable than the best education secured at the expense of the loss of these. We are working with this clearly in view. A change of interests, gymnastic exercises, and a knowledge of the care of the body are safeguards against this evil. Manual training would be a great benefit to those who do not have the manual labor on the farm. Of grade pupils who are willing to work in school hours but very little, if any, home study should be required. That time should be free for manual work, recreation and profitable elec-

tive reading, and with a proper division of time it is needless for High School pupils to keep late study hours.

In opposition to the argument for the danger of over-work is the closer articulation of grade with grade, so that each teacher can take up the work where the previous teacher stopped, and the taking of each step carefully and thoroughly, thus avoiding the great loss of time in going back again and again; the improved methods of work, the broader training and the greater earnestness and efficiency of our teachers resulting in making every moment in the school room count for education,—these factors have made it possible that a larger education can be obtained in a shorter time.

Since the schools of the State generally are trying to follow, as a course of study, the "Program of Studies for the Common Schools of New Hampshire," it seems wise that our schools follow that course as nearly as possible. As the State course is arranged for eight grades, and our schools have a nine-year course in preparation for the High School, some changes were necessary. During the summer vacation the superintendent provided a Supplement to the State Course, adapting it to the nine-grade system. The course for the first six years was but slightly changed. The work of the ninth grade is largely review work and preparatory for the High School. Copies of the "State Course" with the supplement were placed in the desk of every school room. This course has been carefully followed, and nearly all work is now on schedule. In some cases it will take a little longer time to bring the work up to schedule, as the necessary amount of work has not been done in the past. The teachers now have something definite to follow. Generally the schools are well graded, and most pupils are working in the grade for which they are best fitted. While we aim to avoid being too mechanical, and we believe that promotion should depend upon development and ability, we are confident that when the system is in full working order it will be far more satisfactory, and will prevent so much "turning back" every term, or every time a new teacher takes up the work. The advantages of this systematic work are discussed above.

We are living in an age when education demands that

children learn something about many things. Considering the facts which have been presented, this can be done without injury to the child, for the opportunities are so great and the means so easy. We are decidedly too commercial in this age. There is too great a desire to specialize. Too often the child and parents question, "what is the use of studying that subject?" "What has that to do with 'making a harness?'" Specialists there must be in this age of division of labor, and we must lay a foundation with this in view; but it is a pity that so many interesting, useful, and really vital subjects must be neglected as the busy American child rushes on to his goal, stopping only to take the knowledge that will help him to excel in his specialty. Happy to-day the pupil that may go through school plucking blossoms and fruit by the way without being driven by the consciousness of what he is *going to have to be*.

We certainly must, as educators, lay more stress than ever upon thoroughness. Honest labor is the real basis of success. The world is coming more and more to realize the value of real worth, "pulls," and a striking ability to "catch on" are counting less. The boy who can do things; who does not look at the clock too often; the boy who can always be trusted and depended upon, who has the interest of the firm at heart, rather than to see how quickly jobs can be done, is the boy who is in demand and receives the quickest promotions.

We need to develop power and efficiency. Personality counts tremendously to-day. Age may command reverence, but it is personality and efficiency that wield the power. Where can the young American knight go to-day to acquire the treasures of an efficient and refined personality? It is the public school which has proved itself to be the bulwark and fortress of this nation and the maker of its citizens. We make an appeal to the patrons and friends to support our school teachers in their vigorous efforts to inculcate that virtuous regard for property, social ideals, rights of others, morality and politeness, and an ambition to win success, in the minds and beings of the children.

Our teachers deserve the support and good will of the parents, and generally they have it, for which we are

grateful. With a union of purpose and effort the great and mighty responsible work of our schools will be a success.

## SUPERVISION.

It has not been the aim of the superintendent to make any radical change in the school system or its operations, neither has he had time to visit or work publicly for the educational interests at large with the people. Be it admitted that a superintendent should do this, it has been impossible, for his time and interests have been entirely taken in looking after the details of the schools.

A complete course of study has been provided, and there has been a constant effort to bring the work to schedule and to improve the character of instruction in all lines. The schools have been constantly supplied with the necessary supplies for the most efficient work, at the same time striving for strictest economy. All schools have been supplied with a sufficient amount of supplementary readers, representing the three essential phases, literary, historical and geographical, with the necessary basal text books on all subjects.

The work of the schools has been carefully systematized with a complete, yet not cumbersome, system of reports and records.

Special examinations and tests now and then and two or three general examinations during the year are given all pupils by the superintendent. Considering the motive for which they have been given, the results are very satisfactory.

It is the work of the superintendent to have a general watch care and oversight of all the school work, to direct, guide, and help in every detail, internally and externally, connected with the school work.

Teachers' meetings have been held about once a month, sometimes more often. Addresses on general and particular educational subjects have been given by the superintendent and prominent educators of other places, with general discussions by teachers.

The duties of a superintendent are not very specific, but they are manifold. The public cannot get any right

conception of the amount or character of the work, or its results, except by personal observation or investigation. It is only by faithfully looking after minor details that improvements can be made and progressive work accomplished. This cannot be accomplished at once. It must be a gradual growth. While but little, which is strikingly notable, has been accomplished, we are confident that we are on the safe and sure road of progress.

No large enterprise can be the greatest success without expert supervision, and expert school supervision is a mark of onward progress, which is rapidly being generally adopted. It may have its disadvantages and faults, yet experience has shown its advantages, and that it is essential for progress.

The earnest co-operation of the teachers, pupils, and people, so far as they have been concerned, has been pleasing and commendable.

## TEACHERS.

There is no need of adding anything to what was said in last year's report in commendation of the valued services of our faithful teachers. Our teachers have worked earnestly and faithfully to improve the appearance of the school buildings and yards and the general work of the schools. By faithfully keeping "at it" a great improvement has been made in the methods and results of instruction.

Not many changes were made from the corps of teachers last year. Miss Marietta Willoughby took the place made vacant by Mrs. Manning in the Acre School, and Miss Blanche Hillman took Miss Willoughby's place in No. 8. Miss Alexander was transferred to No. 7 School. Miss Ellen Pierce took the No. 9 School. Miss Duval was hired to teach the No. 6 School. Miss Josie Drown was elected as teacher of the village Grammar School, followed by Miss Kelley after Miss Drown's resignation at Christmas. Miss Mary Woodbury, who took the No. 3 School at the beginning of last spring term, has, with the earnest co-operation of the children, made a very great transformation of the school. The slight addition

to the salary has been money very well invested in this case.

Considering the salaries of teachers in other places, and of other professions, the salaries of Amherst teachers are *extremely* low. The average monthly salary of the Amherst teacher is \$30.80, while the average for the State in 1906 was \$36.54.

On the whole, our teachers are doing good work, and some are doing especially well, yet the district cannot long retain such teachers, and the schools must largely be experiment stations for teachers of little or no experience.

We wish to thank the teachers for the earnest, faithful service they have given regardless of the salary they have received.

## THE SCHOOLS.

It is a deplorable fact that we have been obliged to change teachers so often in the Grammar School. We regretted very much that another change was made necessary by the resignation of Miss Drown, who accepted a more attractive position in Massachusetts.

We are endeavoring to follow the Course of Study in all of our schools, and in most cases the classes are on schedule and well graded. We are attempting to do as good work as any school in New Hampshire, yet, of course, it is impossible to get the same results as the better schools with the conditions under which we have to labor.

A very marked improvement has been made in all lines, as can be made very apparent to all who have or will visit the schools. Surely we have accomplished all that could be expected, yet it would be presumptuous to assert that the character of the work can be just as high as that of the larger well-equipped schools. If the grade of work which is being done is continued in a few years the good results will be very apparent. The difficulties with which the pupils of our grammar grades are struggling now are largely due to the great lack of thorough work which should have been done in the earlier years of their school life. Education is a process of gradual training, not a transformation which can be brought about in a moment.



or a year. The training which the children of the village Primary School are now getting, and have been for the past few years, will give a good preparation for the upper Grammar and High School work.

The new Frye Geographies have been put into all the schools in place of the old out-of-date, worn-out books. Some much needed basal and supplementary readers have been purchased, also a few histories for the fourth, fifth and sixth grades. The schools are now fairly well supplied with books. It will always be necessary to buy books enough for the current needs, but the necessary appropriation for books next year ought to be far less than last year. New Language and Grammar books, which will cost about fifty dollars, ought to be introduced into the schools next year.

## HIGH SCHOOL.

The high school question was discussed quite thoroughly last year. The decision which was made by the school district at the last annual meeting was not only a wise decision, but it was the only thing which could be done. The state would not give an approval for a four years' course, neither could the district financially afford to equip the laboratory. The school has been approved during this school year for a two years' course.

The district has been very fortunate in retaining the services of Principal Rand, and the work has gone along smoothly and well.

It has been discouraging that the school has not had a better patronage. With the small number of pupils this year, the cost of running the school has been more than the tuitions would have been.

The prospects for the future of the school are brighter. There will probably be a graduating class from the grammar school of from six to nine. Some of these will undoubtedly enter the high school. There is some very good material in the classes which are to follow, yet there is no prospect of the school ever being large enough to make a good sized school, but it will be larger than it is at present.

Whether it will be policy for the district to maintain

a high school or not is a question which should be carefully considered and settled at the coming annual meeting. There are other phases of the question aside from the financial which should be considered. ,

## SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The village school building, aside from the lack of some modern conveniences and need of a little shingling, is in good condition. The furnace has been repaired so that it is possible to heat the building well now.

It is no more than fitting that we should mention in this report our appreciation of the good work of the village school janitor, Mr. Charles Dodge. The building and yard have been kept in an excellent condition. Among other minor improvements which he has made, the cellar has been cleaned, put in order, and the walls and ceiling made attractive by a good coat of whitewash. Generally people do not realize what an influence the care of the building and yard has upon the school. We sincerely hope that it will be possible to retain Mr. Dodge as janitor of the high school building.

The No. 7 school building was repaired and put in a very attractive condition before the school opened in the fall. The manner in which it has been defaced is a disgrace. The teacher and school officers have tried to prevent such use, and we trust that conditions will be better in the future.

The rural school buildings are generally in a fairly good state of repair. Some repairs are needed in No. 4 building, and slight repairs with plaster, paint, etc., are needed in No. 5 and No. 9. Some of the houses must be supplied with flag poles and ropes.

A very good, and much needed, bookcase has been put into No. 3 schoolroom, also one in the village primary room. A book cupboard is needed in No. 4. Enough can be saved in the care of books to make bookcases economical.

Good, and much needed blackboards have been put into Nos. 2, 3 and 5 school buildings. Some of the other buildings are much in need of better blackboards, especially No. 8.

At the order of the school officers and through the kindness of a neighbor, the Acre school building has been put into a comfortable condition, so far as warmth is concerned, but there is no possible means of ventilation, except by opening the windows or doors and thus causing a direct draft.

The sills, clapboards and timbers are badly decayed, and the building is generally in a gone-by condition, and as soon as the district can afford it a new, larger and more convenient building which shall meet the needs should be put up. This is the largest school outside of the village schools, and certainly needs better accommodations.

The teachers have used the most strict economy in the use of books and supplies. Taxpayers might lessen the cost of books by co-operation with the teachers in training pupils for better care of books. The careless manner in which some children handle books is a shame. One very unpleasant feature of the free-text-book system is the fact that the books must be handled, more or less, by all children, thus giving the great opportunity for the transmission of germs. Careless use of books increases this danger. We attempt to avoid this as much as possible.

### COST OF SCHOOLS.

The yearly current expenses of education per pupil of the Amherst school children was \$28.56, while the average for the state as given by the last biennial report of the state department was \$23.96, only a few towns in the state having a higher rate. (It may have been slightly increased since then.)

The salaries of the teachers are very low, and the general conveniences and equipment of the schools are much less than in many other towns. The question comes, "what is the reason for the high cost?" A careful inspection will show that the large number of small schools, however cheaply they may be run, cost more than a few central schools. The geography of the town necessitates such a condition to some extent, but if the taxpayers of the town are anxious to lessen the cost of maintaining

the schools, they should be united to do whatever will be best for the schools. Some means of consolidation of the small schools seems to be the only remedy. By some consolidation of these small schools, the children will have better opportunities with better paid teachers and better facilities.

There are arguments for and against consolidation. Closing the schools temporarily need not mean forever, but until the number of pupils in a special district will warrant its reopening. The argument that this will lessen the valuation of the real estate is not well grounded.

Probably the best solution of the problem is to close three or four of the schools and provide suitable means for conveyance. The village building is ample for a large increase in pupils, and any of the rural buildings could accommodate nearly double its present number.

However, this is not a matter which the superintendent wishes to push unless it be the general wish of the voters of the district. It is merely suggested that the people may have opportunity to think of the matter, and it is recommended that it be considered at the coming meeting. We are anxious that nothing shall be done in the attempt to lessen the cost, that shall injure the character of the work of our schools. The schools of Amherst are making rapid progress, and though we ought to lessen the cost of the schools if possible, the people of Amherst cannot afford to do anything that shall lessen their educational advantages.

There is still some lack of knowledge, or misunderstanding in reference to the laws of school attendance and truant cases. Copies of the sections of the school laws pertaining to truants, non-attendance, employment certificates, employment of school children, etc., may be obtained on application to the superintendent. The justice of these laws is unquestionable, and it is not that we wish to make any annoyance, but it is the duty of the school officers to enforce the laws. The public schools are maintained for the good of the commonwealth, and all citizens are under obligations to comply with its laws and regulations. It is also the duty of every parent to loyally support the work of the teachers and schools in general.

Such support is always best for the individual children as well as the schools.

The general interest and loyal support of the people and of the school district in the welfare and success of the schools are very encouraging. Especially would we like to commend and thank the school children for their faithful attendance, good conduct and earnest work in school. This is not said as a matter of course. With a few exceptions the school children have done exceptionally well in conduct and school work.

We realize that the taxpayers of the district make a hard, faithful effort financially and otherwise to support and maintain our schools, and we believe that generally the children appreciate and are making the most of the opportunities they have. The people of the district have reason to be proud of their schools. The members of the school board have been loyal to the best interests of the schools, ever ready to give their time and energies to supply the needs.

The superintendent is very grateful for the personal and official favors and support which he has received from school officers, teachers, school children and people of the district.

Respectfully submitted,

CARROL H. DROWN,  
Superintendent of Schools.

## Report of High School Principal.

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### *To The Superintendent of Schools:—*

In 1907 the senior class of the Amherst high school did creditable work and were graduated with honor.

They were of progressive minds and have not halted on the educational journey. Nine went from our school; two are now at Cushing academy, Ashburnham, Mass., and one is teaching in a satisfactory manner in one of the Amherst districts.

The graduation exercises took place on June 28th, and the programme was as follows:

- |   |                          |
|---|--------------------------|
| 1 Duet  | Misses McNamee and Dodge |
| 2 Prayer  | Rev. A. Mason            |
| 3 Song, "In the Merry, Merry May," <i>Mallard</i>         |                          |
| 4 Salutatory, "The Importance of a High school education" | Miss Grace Pettengill    |
| 5 "School of Long Ago,"                                   | Miss Esther Hicks        |
| 6 "Our North American Indian of Today"                    | Miss Grace Piper         |
| 7 "The Importance of Character,"                          | Miss Leora Hadley        |
| 8 Song, "Blow, Soft Winds," <i>Vincent</i>                |                          |
| 9 The Early History of Amherst                            | Miss Nell Weston         |
| 10 Music  |                          |
| 11 "The Character of Portia,"                             | Miss Lillian Duval       |
| 12 "Railroad Accidents,"                                  | Wilbert Parker           |
| 13 "The Pleasures of Life,"                               | Miss Annie Parker        |
| 14 Valedictory, "Higher Education for Women,"             | Miss Jennie Holbrook     |
| 15 Song, "Swing Song," <i>Lohr</i>                        |                          |
| 16 Address,   | Supt. C. H. Drown        |
| 17 Presentation of Diplomas                               |                          |

Owing to the expense and insufficient equipment in laboratories and teaching force, the town voted to reduce the

course from four to two years. This was to be an experiment, with the approval of the state superintendent.

Although we have been struggling with a great many difficulties this year, under the wise supervision of the superintendent, the school work has been good and is steadily improving. We owe much to the superintendent for his faithful, untiring efforts to benefit the school.

Let me here urge the parents not to keep a scholar out of school unless a real necessity compels. The absence of a scholar hinders his personal progress, if not that of the whole class. Also the scholar is apt to lose interest in his work, thus making it doubly hard for teacher and pupil. The attendance should be better and more regular. And the pupil made to realize that careful attention to present daily work and a broad education means a better salary later in life and a wider field of usefulness as a citizen.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. L. RAND,  
*Principal of Amherst High School.*

# Financial Report of School Board.

FOR YEAR ENDING FEB 15, 1908.

## SPRING TERM

|                     |          |            |
|---------------------|----------|------------|
| Dist. 1, E. L. Rand | \$219 66 |            |
| 1, G. M. Houghton   | 140 00   |            |
| 1, B. F. Irving     | 110 00   |            |
| 1, C. R. Nourse     | 99 00    |            |
| 2, E. P. Manning    | 96 00    |            |
| 3, M. E. Woodbury   | 96 00    |            |
| 4, B. T. Parker     | 84 00    |            |
| 5, C. M. Willoughby | 84 00    |            |
| 6, J. E. Hamblett   | 84 00    |            |
| 8, M. I. Willoughby | 77 00    |            |
| 9, Helen Alexander  | 77 00    |            |
| 10, B. M. Holbrook  | 91 00    |            |
|                     | <hr/>    | \$1,257 66 |

## FALL TERM

|                     |          |            |
|---------------------|----------|------------|
| Dist. 1, E. L. Rand | \$291 62 |            |
| 1, Josephine Drown  | 157 50   |            |
| 1, C. R. Nourse     | 142 50   |            |
| 2, M. I. Willoughby | 120 00   |            |
| 3, Mary E. Woodbury | 120 00   |            |
| 4, Velma V. Maxwell | 90 00    |            |
| 5, C. M. Willoughby | 98 00    |            |
| 6, Lillian Duval    | 90 00    |            |
| 7, Helen Alexander  | 105 00   |            |
| 8, Blanche Hillman  | 105 00   |            |
| 9, E. H. Pierce     | 105 00   |            |
|                     | <hr/>    | \$1,424 62 |



## WINTER TERM

|                                 |          |                  |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------------|
| Dist. 1, E. L. Rand             | \$155 54 |                  |
| 1, L. E. Kelley                 | 84 00    |                  |
| 1, C. R. Nourse                 | 76 00    |                  |
| 2, M. I. Willoughby             | 56 00    |                  |
| 3, Mary E. Woodbury             | 56 00    |                  |
| 4, Velma V. Maxwell             | 42 00    |                  |
| 5, C. M. Willoughby             | 49 00    |                  |
| 6, Lillian Duval                | 42 00    |                  |
| 7, Helen Alexander              | 49 00    |                  |
| 8, Blanche Hillman              | 49 00    |                  |
| 9, E. H. Pierce                 | 49 00    |                  |
|                                 | <hr/>    | \$707 54         |
| Total amount teachers' salaries |          | <hr/> \$3,389 82 |

## CARE OF SCHOOL HOUSES

|                 |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| C. E. Hodge     | \$2 25 |
| Peter Clarkin   | 4 60   |
| E. J. Bartlett  | 4 96   |
| C. H. Wetherbee | 4 75   |
| Samuel Davidson | 1 75   |
| C. W. Dodge     | 52 50  |
| Samuel Davidson | 2 00   |
| Peter Clarkin   | 3 35   |
| Richard Weston  | 1 80   |
| C. W. Dodge     | 49 00  |
| Elgin Bartlett  | 3 42   |
| C. H. Wetherbee | 3 25   |
| R. J. Hodgman   | 2 95   |
| Helen Alexander | 2 75   |
| B. I. Parker    | 3 00   |
| Helen Alexander | 1 50   |
| C. W. Dodge     | 24 50  |
| Richard Weston  | 1 25   |
| Samuel Davidson | 1 75   |
| Lillian Duval   | 5 50   |
| C. W. Dodge     | 28 00  |

|                  |       |          |
|------------------|-------|----------|
| J. E. Hamblett   | 3 00  |          |
| Elmer E. Hodgman | 1 75  |          |
| C. H. Wetherbee  | 2 00  |          |
| H. R. Boutelle   | 1 75  |          |
| Richard Weston   | 3 75  |          |
| “ “              | 1 75  |          |
|                  | <hr/> | \$218 83 |

## FUEL

|                          |        |          |
|--------------------------|--------|----------|
| J. E. Fowle              | \$1 50 |          |
| Lemuel Fuller            | 16 00  |          |
| Ralph Holbrook           | 14 38  |          |
| Frank Hartshorn          | 2 00   |          |
| Merrill Bros.            | 14 00  |          |
| C. W. Dodge, sawing      | 4 00   |          |
| George E. Farley         | 12 00  |          |
| F. C. Taylor, coal       | 105 00 |          |
| C. M. Barrett            | 17 87  |          |
| Samuel Davidson, sawing  | 3 50   |          |
| F. C. Taylor, coal       | 42 00  |          |
| Merrill Bros.            | 3 00   |          |
| Charles F. Haseltine     | 2 00   |          |
| E. H. Peaslee            | 13 50  |          |
| C. L. Trow               | 14 38  |          |
| F. W. Noyes              | 15 00  |          |
| “ “                      | 12 00  |          |
| “ “                      | 4 50   |          |
| E. G. Hodgman, sawing    | 1 25   |          |
| C. H. Wetherbee, cutting | 3 00   |          |
|                          | <hr/>  | \$300 88 |

## BOOKS, PAPER, PENCILS, MAPS, ETC.

|                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Rand, McNally & Co.   | \$1 19 |
| Prang Educational Co. | 2 73   |
| D. C. Heath           | 3 43   |
| J. B. Lippincott      | 3 20   |

|                          |       |          |
|--------------------------|-------|----------|
| Rand, McNally & Co.      | 7 25  |          |
| “ “ “                    | 3 60  |          |
| “ “ “                    | 13 22 |          |
| James P. Melzer          | 1 37  |          |
| W. B. Rotch              | 3 75  |          |
| Houghton, Mifflin & Co.  | 21 53 |          |
| Rand, McNally & Co.      | 17 02 |          |
| “ “ “                    | 5 05  |          |
| R. E. Lane               | 72    |          |
| Milton Bradley Co.       | 3 70  |          |
| “ “ “                    | 65    |          |
| “ “ “                    | 2 89  |          |
| D. C. Heath & Co.        | 3 64  |          |
| Benjamin Sanborn         | 6 00  |          |
| James P. Melzer          | 3 62  |          |
| Houghton, Mifflin & Co.  | 14 86 |          |
| C. H. Drown              | 2 00  |          |
| “ “                      | 8 25  |          |
| “ “                      | 1 67  |          |
| “ “                      | 1 97  |          |
| “ “                      | 1 33  |          |
| J. L. Hammett Co.        | 73 68 |          |
| Milton Bradley Co.       | 6 56  |          |
| Edward E. Babb & Co.     | 71 84 |          |
| Ginn & Co.               | 70 85 |          |
| Houghton, Mifflin & Co.  | 1 61  |          |
| Silver, Burdett & Co.    | 13 48 |          |
| Charles E. Merrill & Co. | 42 44 |          |
| American Book Co.        | 30 39 |          |
| Powder House Novelty Co. | 48    |          |
| C. H. Drown              | 22 84 |          |
| McKinley Publishing Co.  | 2 28  |          |
|                          | — —   | \$471 09 |

## MISCELLANEOUS

|                                    |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Tuition, Milford                   | \$45 00 |
| R. M. Moore, pay of superintendent | 25 00   |
| “ “ “                              | 25 00   |
| “ “ “                              | 25 00   |

|                                    |        |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| R. M. Moore, pay of superintendent | 25 00  |
| “ “ “ “                            | 25 00  |
| “ “ “ “                            | 50 00  |
| “ “ “ “                            | 125 00 |
| Tuition, Bedford                   | 11 00  |
| Ordway & Kendal, livery            | 1 00   |
| Christopher Lenz, carrying pupils  | 85 00  |
| New England Tel. & Tel. Co.        | 1 86   |
| W. D. Clark                        | 2 00   |
| C. D. Wilson                       | 2 00   |
| Christopher Lenz, carrying pupils  | 105 00 |
| W. M. Chandler, “ “                | 32 00  |
| Christopher Lenz, “ “              | 49 00  |
| Frank W. Noyes “ “                 | 51 00  |

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 \$684 86

## REPAIRS AND FURNISHINGS

|                      |         |
|----------------------|---------|
| W. D. Clark          | \$18 76 |
| F. C. Taylor         | 29 29   |
| A. B. Melendy        | 6 00    |
| Emerson & Son        | 21 25   |
| C. W. Dodge          | 2 80    |
| C. D. Wilson         | 7 63    |
| G. L. Goodale        | 7 00    |
| Alfred Elliott       | 1 00    |
| C. H. Wetherbee      | 1 50    |
| J. H. Broderick      | 2 50    |
| C. D. Wilson         | 7 45    |
| F. E. Sargent        | 2 61    |
| A. E. Chickering     | 50      |
| F. E. Woodward & Co. | 32 27   |
| Charles Pherson      | 5 50    |
| C. W. Dodge          | 8 00    |
| John P. Fletcher     | 26 82   |
| John B. Varick Co.   | 5 70    |
| E. J. Parker         | 4 25    |
| Fred H. Merrill      | 2 00    |
| George A. Jenkins    | 59 16   |
| “ “                  | 2 00    |

|                             |    |    |          |
|-----------------------------|----|----|----------|
| J. H. Broderick             | 23 | 40 |          |
| A. P. Carpenter             | 10 | 52 |          |
| D. H. Rhoades               |    | 75 |          |
| A. P. Carpenter             | 14 | 30 |          |
| Mrs. G. H. Powers, cleaning | 3  | 00 |          |
| “ F. Goodale, “             | 1  | 00 |          |
| C. W. Dodge                 | 9  | 40 |          |
| American Express Co.        | 2  | 90 |          |
| T. S. Merrow                | 2  | 50 |          |
| E. P. Bartlett              | 1  | 15 |          |
|                             |    |    | <hr/>    |
|                             |    |    | \$322 91 |

## NUTT FUND

|                               |      |    |          |
|-------------------------------|------|----|----------|
| Edith Pettengill              | \$1  | 10 |          |
| E. S. Heald                   | 2    | 25 |          |
| H. S. Norwell                 | 2    | 93 |          |
| James P. Melzer               | 6    | 75 |          |
| Balance Feb. 15, 1908         | 369  | 91 |          |
|                               |      |    | <hr/>    |
|                               |      |    | \$382 94 |
| Balance on hand March 1, 1907 | \$65 | 43 |          |
| Received of treasurer         | 186  | 26 |          |
| “ “                           | 131  | 25 |          |
|                               |      |    | <hr/>    |
|                               |      |    | \$382 94 |

## BALANCE SHEET

|                                   |         |    |            |
|-----------------------------------|---------|----|------------|
| Amount required by law            | \$2,100 | 00 |            |
| Raised in school meeting          | 2,000   | 00 |            |
| Spalding school fund              | 389     | 80 |            |
| Dog money                         | 207     | 60 |            |
| Town of New Boston                | 47      | 55 |            |
| Town of Mt. Vernon                | 12      | 50 |            |
| Literary fund                     | 140     | 30 |            |
| Lawrence fund                     | 52      | 50 |            |
| Mont Vernon tuition               | 16      | 00 |            |
| Amount of supt. salary, 1906-1907 | 300     | 00 |            |
| Balance on hand March 1st, 1907   | 117     | 93 |            |
|                                   |         |    | <hr/>      |
|                                   |         |    | \$5,384 18 |

|                               |            |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid teachers                 | \$3,389 82 |            |
| Care                          | 218 83     |            |
| Fuel                          | 300 88     |            |
| Books, paper, pencils, etc.   | 471 09     |            |
| Miscellaneous                 | 684 86     |            |
| Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1908 | 318 70     |            |
|                               | <hr/>      | \$5,384 18 |

## REPAIRS—BALANCE

|                                  |          |          |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Balance on hand March 1, 1907    | 19       |          |
| Repair appropriation             | 500 00   |          |
|                                  | <hr/>    | \$500 19 |
| Paid for repairs and furnishings | \$322 91 |          |
| Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1908    | 177 28   |          |
|                                  | <hr/>    | \$500 19 |

W. W. SLOAN, Treasurer.

AMHERST, N. H., Feb. 26, 1908

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account  
and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

W. D. CLARK,  
C. D. WILSON,  
*Auditors.*

## ATTENDANCE

The whole number of scholars found enrolled upon the school registers during the year, between the ages of five and fifteen years, is 196. Above fifteen, 3.

The following tables give a summary of attendance as appears in the school register:

## SPRING TERM

| Schools. | Whole No. | Boys      | Girls    | Av. Att.  | W'ks.     |
|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| High     | 33        | 15        | 18       | 30        | 13        |
| Grammar  | 21        | 10        | 11       | 18        | 10        |
| Primary  | 26        | 12        | 14       | 22        | 10        |
| No. 2    | 27        | 17        | 10       | 24        | 12        |
| 3        | 17        | 11        | 6        | 14        | 11        |
| 4        | 11        | 7         | 4        | 10        | 12        |
| 5        | 11        | 7         | 4        | 9         | 11        |
| 6        | 8         | 4         | 4        | 6         | 12        |
| 8        | 11        | 4         | 7        | 9         | 11        |
| 9        | 11        | 6         | 5        | 10        | 10        |
| 10       | 11        | 7         | 4        | 9         | 13        |
|          | <hr/> 187 | <hr/> 100 | <hr/> 87 | <hr/> 161 | <hr/> 125 |

## FALL TERM

|         |           |           |          |           |           |
|---------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| High    | 11        | 6         | 5        | 8         | 14        |
| Grammar | 32        | 20        | 12       | 21        | 14        |
| Primary | 29        | 16        | 13       | 25        | 14        |
| No. 2   | 27        | 14        | 13       | 21        | 14        |
| No. 3   | 19        | 11        | 8        | 16        | 14        |
| 4       | 12        | 8         | 4        | 11        | 15        |
| 5       | 13        | 7         | 6        | 9         | 13        |
| 6       | 10        | 6         | 4        | 6         | 15        |
| 7       | 17        | 10        | 7        | 12        | 14        |
| 8       | 18        | 8         | 10       | 9         | 14        |
| 9       | 11        | 7         | 4        | 9         | 14        |
|         | <hr/> 199 | <hr/> 113 | <hr/> 86 | <hr/> 147 | <hr/> 159 |

## WINTER TERM

| Schools. | Whole No. | Boys      | Girls    | Av. Att.  | W'ks.    |
|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| High     | 7         | 5         | 2        | 5         | 8        |
| Grammar  | 26        | 17        | 9        | 24        | 8        |
| Primary  | 28        | 14        | 14       | 25        | 8        |
| No. 2    | 23        | 13        | 10       | 20        | 7        |
| 3        | 19        | 11        | 8        | 16        | 7        |
| 4        | 11        | 7         | 4        | 10        | 7        |
| 5        | 13        | 7         | 6        | 10        | 8        |
| 6        | 10        | 6         | 4        | 5         | 6        |
| 7        | 13        | 10        | 3        | 10        | 6        |
| 8        | 15        | 7         | 8        | 11        | 7        |
| 9        | 9         | 5         | 4        | 8         | 7        |
|          | <hr/> 174 | <hr/> 102 | <hr/> 72 | <hr/> 144 | <hr/> 80 |

## ROLL OF HONOR

Not Absent or Tardy During the Year:

No. 3, Richard Weston, Robert Weston.

No. 5, Lester G. Bartlett.

No. 9, Eva Gagnon, Arthur Jenkins.

## Two Terms

High School, Arthur Greeley.

Grammar, Miriam Wilkins, Bernice Bills, Frank Pettergill, Rodney Hodgman, Warren Hutchinson, John McLaughlin, Leonard Merrill, Clyde Parker.

No. 2, Philip Clarkin, Herbert Elliott, Grace Elliott, Angeline Doucet.

No. 3, Dorris Weston.

No. 8, Elmer Hodgman, Willie Hodgman.

No. 9, Mabel Powers, Gladys Powers, George Gagnon, Alonzo Gagnon.



## One Term.

High School, Marion Dodge, Ardis McNamee, Grace Pettengill, Elvene Taylor, Wilbert Parker, Forest Parker, Charles Randall.

Grammar School, Malcolm Clark, Paul Barnes, Warren Hanson, Harry Wilson, Harold Wilson, Marie Duval, Hazel Pettengill, Neva Sloan, Irene McLaughlin.

Primary School, Grace Stevens, May Stevens, Doris Bills, Helen Lorden, Madeline Taylor, Harold McNamee, John McLaughlin.

No. 2, Antonet Bergenon, Lora Bergenon, Catherine Clarkin, Walter Doyle.

No. 3, Bessie Goodale, Dorothy Goodale, Henry Durand.

No. 4, Horace Boutelle, Beatrice Noble.

No. 5, Grace Bartlett, Elgin Bartlett, Ralph Nelson.

No. 7, George Odell, Leroy Odell.

No. 8, Walter Crooker.

No. 9, Mildred Hunnewell, May Gildard.

No. 10, Martha Wetherbee, Mildred Wetherbee, Leroy Odell.

W. W. SLOAN,  
A. M. WILKINS,  
S. E. DODGE,  
Board of Education.

## VITAL STATISTICS

*To the Selectmen :*

In compliance with an act of the Legislature, enacted June session, 1887, requiring clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the annual report, I herewith submit the following:—

W. W. SLOAN, Town Clerk.

# Marriages Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

| Date of marriage. | Place of marriage.  | Name and surname of groom and bride. | Residence of each at time of marriage. | Color.     | Occupation of groom and bride. | Place of birth of each. | Names of parents.    | Birthplace of parents. | Occupation.   | Marriage. | Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married. |
|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|--|------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------|--|
| Mar. 2            | Concord...          | Chas. P. Smith...                    | Amherst... 521                         | All white. | Sec. foreman...                | Carrol...               | Wm. L. Smith...      | Alfred Comer, Me       | Farmer        | 2         | David Jack, clergyman, Concord                                   |
| "                 | Wilton ....         | Hattie C. Manning..                  | Waterloo.. 49                          |            | Honsekeeper..                  | Manchester..            | Amelia Cole...       | Whitefield...          | .....         | 2         |  |
| "                 | 8 Wilton ....       | James F. Broderick..                 | Amherst .. 18                          |            | Painter...                     | Amherst..               | Nancy E. Smith...    | Manchester             | Farmer        | 1         | P. J. Scott, clergyman, Wilton                                   |
| "                 | April 24 Nashua ... | Nellie A. Smith.....                 | Milford.... 18                         |            | Mill hand....                  | Milford.....            | James J. Broderick.. | New York.....          | Stone work r  | 1         |  |
| "                 | "                   | George K. Walker...                  | Amherst .. 56                          |            | Proy. dealer                   | Amherst ..              | Hannah Condon...     | Co Cork, Ire           | Blacksmith    | 2         | Cyrus Richardson, clergyman, Naahua                              |
| "                 | 29 Conway ...       | Jennie H. Youngm'n                   | Tyngsboro 44                           |            | Nurse .....                    | Littleton, Me..         | Mary O. Burns...     | New Ipswich...         | Nurse.....    | 2         |  |
| "                 | "                   | Herbert G. Upham..                   | Mass                                   |            | Farmer.....                    | Nashua .....            | George K. Walker...  | Dunstable Mass         | Farmer        | 1         | David F. Nelson, clergyman, Conway                               |
| "                 | "                   | Edith M. Bickford..                  | Conway ... 33                          |            | Teacher.....                   | Conway .....            | Bradford Hill...     | Waterboro, Me..        | Mill operator | 1         |  |
| May 18            | Milford....         | Chas. A. Rogers....                  | Amherst .. 38                          |            | Farmer.....                    | Ashland, Mass           | Jane DeLattee...     | Amherst .....          | .....         | 2         | A. M. Pendleton, clergyman, Milford                              |
| "                 | "                   | Anna M. Knight...                    | "                                      |            | .....                          | Upton, Mass...          | Sarah A. Buss...     | Amherst .....          | .....         | 2         |  |
| June 6            | Milford....         | Peter Clarkin .....                  | "                                      |            | Stone polisher                 | Co. Caven, Ire.         | Sidney A. Bickford.. | Hopkinton, Mass.       | .....         | 1         | Geo. F. Marshall, clergyman, Milford                             |
| "                 | "                   | Alice Garrity .....                  | Milford.... 33                         |            | Domestic.....                  | Milford .....           | Abby F. Merrow...    | .....                  | .....         | 1         |  |
| "                 | 30 Amherst...       | Chas. E. Weston....                  | Amherst .. 24                          |            | Sec. foreman..                 | Nashua .....            | Wm. F. Rogers....    | .....                  | .....         | 2         | A. Mason, clergyman, Amherst                                     |
| "                 | "                   | Maude Alice Perkins                  | Cape Neddick, Me                       |            | .....                          | Cape Neddick, Me        | Hannah M. Jones...   | Amherst .....          | .....         | 1         |  |
| "                 | "                   | "                                    | "                                      |            | .....                          | "                       | Hiram G. Ward...     | Hopkinton, Mass.       | .....         | 2         |  |
| "                 | "                   | "                                    | "                                      |            | .....                          | "                       | Peter Clarkin....    | .....                  | .....         | 1         |  |
| "                 | "                   | "                                    | "                                      |            | .....                          | "                       | Catherine McGuire..  | Co. Caven, Ire         | .....         | 1         |  |
| "                 | "                   | "                                    | "                                      |            | .....                          | "                       | Thos. Garrity.....   | Ireland                | .....         | 1         |  |
| "                 | "                   | "                                    | "                                      |            | .....                          | "                       | Ellen Follen.....    | .....                  | .....         | 1         |  |
| "                 | "                   | "                                    | "                                      |            | .....                          | "                       | Edw. E. Weston....   | So. Lyndeboro ...      | .....         | 1         |  |
| "                 | "                   | "                                    | "                                      |            | .....                          | "                       | Christianna Woodw'd  | Cape Neddick, Me       | .....         | 1         |  |
| "                 | "                   | "                                    | "                                      |            | .....                          | "                       | Stovel Perkins       | .....                  | .....         | 1         |  |
| "                 | "                   | "                                    | "                                      |            | .....                          | "                       | Me. Mary A. Welch    | .....                  | .....         | 1         |  |

# MARRIAGES.—Continued.

| Date of marriage. | Place of marriage. | Name and surname of groom and bride. | Residence of each at time of marriage. | Color.     | Occupation of groom and bride. | Place of birth of each. | Names of parents.     | Birthplace of parents. | Occupation. | Marrriage. | Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married. |
|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------|------------|--|
| July 23           | Milford....        | Alfred Elliott.....                  | Amherst ... 38                         | All white. | Laborer.....                   | New Ipswich.            | Henry Elliott.        | Mason.....             | .....       | 2          | F. A. Robinson, clergyman, Milford                               |
|                   |                    | Gertie Miller .....                  | Brattleboro 23                         |            | .....                          | Brattleboro, Vt         | Fred Miller .....     | .....                  | .....       | 2          |  |
| Sept 4            | Amherst ..         | Harry W Carpenter .....              | Amherst ... 26                         |            | Clerk .....                    | Claremont .....         | Martin B. Carpenter.  | Cornish .....          | .....       | 1          | A. Mason, clergyman, Amherst                                     |
| " 16              | "                  | Jennie G. Pearl.....                 | Tancook, N. S. 34                      |            | Dressmaker ..                  | Tancook, N. S.          | Alice O. Clough.      | Claremont ..           | .....       | 1          |  |
|                   |                    | Alfred Elliott, Jr ...               | Amherst ... 16                         |            | Laborer.....                   | Brookline .....         | Alfred Elliott .....  | New Ipswich ..         | .....       | 1          | A. Mason, clergyman, Amherst                                     |
|                   |                    | Lucy M. Landry.....                  | " " 17                                 |            | .....                          | Penacook .....          | Fred Landry .....     | Manchester ..          | .....       | 1          |  |
| Oct. 8            | Milford....        | Elmer M. Gutterson .....             | " " 28                                 |            | Clerk .....                    | Milford .....           | Annie Flaherty ..     | Milford.....           | .....       | 1          | F. A. Robinson, clergyman, Milford                               |
|                   |                    | Lizzie A. Hazen ....                 | Mt. Vernon 19                          |            | .....                          | Mt. Vernon .....        | Chas. H. Gutterson .. | Mt. Vernon .....       | .....       | 1          |  |
| Nov. 3            | Nashua. . .        | Jos. Malenfant .....                 | Amherst ... 20                         |            | Laborer.....                   | Canada.....             | Mary E. Wilkins ..    | Goffstown.....         | .....       | 1          | Cyrus Richardson, clergyman, Nashua                              |
|                   |                    | Nellie R. Gonett.....                | " " 18                                 |            | .....                          | Worcester .....         | John Hazen.....       | Canada.....            | .....       | 1          |  |
| " 6               | Milford.. .        | Arthur W McGuin's .....              | " " 21                                 |            | Tel'ph emp'ee ..               | New Boston...           | Joseph Gonett.....    | Milford.....           | .....       | 1          | Geo. F. Marshall, clergyman, Milford                             |
|                   |                    | Jennie W. Bobilee.....               | Milford.... 22                         |            | .....                          | Milford.....            | Mary Cathamel .....   | Burlington, Vt...      | .....       | 1          |  |
| Dec 24            | Manchester         | Robert S. Bontelle..                 | Manchester 41                          |            | Carpenter.....                 | Amherst .....           | John F. McGuiness ..  | Ireland.....           | .....       | 1          | David Frazer, clergyman, Manchester                              |
|                   |                    | Luna A. Parkhurst.....               | Amherst ... 34                         |            | .....                          | " .....                 | Margaret O'Conner ..  | Canada.....            | .....       | 1          |  |
|                   |                    |                                      |  |            | .....                          |                         | Michelle Bobilee..... | Milford.....           | .....       | 1          |  |
|                   |                    |                                      |  |            | .....                          |                         | Lizzie Jess.....      | Milford.....           | .....       | 1          |  |
|                   |                    |                                      |  |            | .....                          |                         | Henry K. Bontelle ..  | Amherst .....          | .....       | 1          |  |
|                   |                    |                                      |  |            | .....                          |                         | Mary Miller.....      | Merrimack .....        | .....       | 1          |  |
|                   |                    |                                      |  |            | .....                          |                         | Silas Parkhurst.....  | Amherst .....          | .....       | 1          |  |
|                   |                    |                                      |  |            | .....                          |                         | Angusta Macc .....    | Amherst .....          | .....       | 1          |  |

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W. W. SLOAN, Town Clerk.

# Births Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

| Date of Birth.       | Place of Birth.   | Sex and Condition. |         |                       | Name of the Child (if any.) | Name of father.      | Maiden name of mother. | Color of parents. | Residence of parents. | Occupation of father. | Birthplace of father. | Birthplace of mother. |                             |        |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                      |                   | Male.              | Female. | Living or still-born. |                             |                      |                        |                   |                       |                       |                       |                       | No. of child, 1st, 2d, etc. | Color. |
|                      |                   |                    |         |                       |                             |                      |                        |                   |                       |                       |                       |                       |                             |        |
| All born in Amherst. |                   |                    |         |                       |                             |                      |                        |                   |                       |                       |                       |                       |                             |        |
| Jan. 3               | Thomas G          | M                  |         | 1                     | All white.                  | Thos. Gauntelli      | Annie Decilmi          |                   | Amherst               | Stone cntle.          | Pouletandoffo It.     |                       |                             |        |
| " 15                 | Joseph            | M                  | F       | 4                     |                             | A. Clifford Greeley  | Ida Stevens            |                   | "                     | R.R. sec man          | Londonberry Vt        | Westminster Vt        |                             |        |
| Feb. 6               | George Main       | M                  |         | 3                     |                             | John A. LaBonta      | Emma Lombart           |                   | "                     | Farmer                | Waterloo, Can.        | St Law'ce Can.        |                             |        |
| " 18                 | Helen Elvera      | M                  | F       | 1                     |                             | George E. Hartshorn  | Ina W. Main            |                   | "                     | Farmer                | Milford               | Gloucester Mass       |                             |        |
| " 20                 |                   |                    | F       | 1                     |                             | Benjamin Monson      | Maria Anderson         |                   | "                     | Laborer               | Hokantrop Swe         | Oliness Fin.          |                             |        |
| " 21                 |                   |                    | F       | 1                     |                             | George Jackson       | Ethel Holland          |                   | "                     | Tanner                | St. George N S.       | Charlestown Ms        |                             |        |
| Mar. 5               |                   |                    | F       | 1                     |                             | Enos S. Robinson     | Lizzie F. Foster       |                   | Concord               | Mas m'chu'c           | Concord               | No And'over Mass      |                             |        |
| " 25                 | Beatrice G        |                    | F       | 3                     |                             | Wm. Calnan           | Julia E. Brennan       |                   | Amherst               | Tanner                | Cork Ire.             | Amherst               |                             |        |
| May 1                | Kathleen F        |                    | F       | 1                     |                             | John Turner          | Maude Yates            |                   | Mech'ic'v'e NY        | Mechinist             | Forest N Y.           | Nashua                |                             |        |
| " 12                 | George Edward     | M                  |         | 7                     |                             | George C. Taylor     | Kate Ryan              |                   | Amherst               | Laborer               | Methuen Mass.         | Milford               |                             |        |
| June 2               | Clarebon Charl s. | M                  |         | 1                     |                             | John S. McLaughlin   | Harriet M. Hayden      |                   | "                     | Blacksmith            | Amherst               | Dublin                |                             |        |
| " 30                 |                   |                    | F       | 6                     |                             | Walter A. Bachelder  | Phoebe J. Perkins      |                   | "                     | Farmer                | Amherst               | Wilmot                |                             |        |
| July 2               | Margaret E.       |                    | F       | 4                     |                             | John J. Lorden       | Rose E. Doane          |                   | "                     | Teamster              | Charlestown Ms        | Milford               |                             |        |
| " 25                 | Joseph A.         | M                  |         | 4                     |                             | Jos. A. St. Hilaire  | Angelina Lambert       |                   | "                     | Farmer                | Newmarket             | St Helene             |                             |        |
| Aug. 30              | Alma Elizabeth    |                    | F       | 1                     |                             | Arthur C. Richardson | Lizzie B. Mackay       |                   | "                     | "                     | Milford               | Amherst               |                             |        |
| Sept. 22             | Edna Mabel        |                    | F       | 5                     |                             | Edw. Nelson          | Emma Monson            |                   | Milford               | "                     | Oland Swe.            | Hokantrop Swe.        |                             |        |
| Oct. 7               | Ranghold Edwin    | M                  |         | 1                     |                             | Percy M. Odell       | Clara M. Hammond       |                   | Amherst               | Carpenter             | Amherst               | Bow.                  |                             |        |
| Dec. 1               | George Irving     | M                  |         | 2                     |                             | Chas. A. Vatcher     | Emma P. Hayward        |                   | "                     | "                     | Charlottesville'n PO  | Hooksett              |                             |        |
| " 3                  | Esther Victoria   | M                  | F       | 2                     |                             | Nathan O. Fames      | Cecelia Monson         |                   | "                     | Teamster              | Wilmington Ms         | Worcester             |                             |        |
| " 19                 | Alfred            | M                  |         | 6                     |                             | Herbert H. Belden    | Laura S. Dodge         |                   | "                     | Relaxed               | Hatfield Mass.        | Leverett Mass         |                             |        |
| " 22                 | Winfred Lester    | M                  |         | 7                     |                             | Edward O. Chaplin    | Carrie E. Kollerson    |                   | "                     | Laborer               | Needham Mass.         | Amherst Mass.         |                             |        |

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W. W. SLOAN, Town Clerk.

# Deaths Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

| Date of death. | Name and surname of deceased. | Age.   |         |       | Sex and condition. | Place of birth. |                     | Occupation. | Place of birth.     |                        | Name of father.        | Maiden name of mother. |
|----------------|-------------------------------|--------|---------|-------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|                |                               | Years. | Months. | Days. |                    | Color.          | Color.              |             | Father.             | Mother.                |                        |                        |
| Jan.           | 5 Mary R. Shepard.....        | 81     | 7       | 10    | South Barre Vt     | F               | Williamstown...     | W           | Williamstown...     | Sam. G. Richardson...  | Sallie Towne.....      |                        |
|                | 7 Martha E. Bouteille.....    | 39     | 8       | 10    | Corinth Me.....    | F               | Concord.....        | M           | Corinth Me.....     | John Bontelle.....     | Emilee M Blake.....    |                        |
|                | 15.....                       |        |         |       | Amherst.....       | F               | Londonderry Vt..... | S           | Westminster Vt..... | A Clifford Greeley.... | Ida Stevens.....       |                        |
| Feb.           | 20 Stena I. Raymond.....      | 80     | 4       | 23    | Goffstown.....     | F               | Canada.....         | M           | Bedford.....        | Levi Raymond.....      | Arvilla H Richards..   |                        |
|                | 26 Joseph P. Trow.....        | 14     | 26      | 20    | Mont Vernon.....   | M               | Mont Vernon.....    | M           | Mont Vernon.....    | Joseph Trow.....       | Sarah Perkins.....     |                        |
|                | 21.....                       |        |         |       | Amherst.....       | F               | St George Me.....   | S           | Charlestown.....    | Geo. H. Jackson.....   | Ethel M Holland.....   |                        |
| Mar            | 15 Ellen S. Daniels.....      | 58     | 3       | 12    | Milford.....       | F               | Franklin Mass.....  | S           | Milford.....        | Hiram A Daniels.....   | Susan E. Lovejoy.....  |                        |
|                | 2 Mary F Barrett.....         | 84     | 7       |       | Amherst.....       | F               | Amherst.....        | W           | Amherst.....        | John N. Wheeler.....   | Nancy Rhoads.....      |                        |
|                | 5.....                        |        |         |       |                    | M               | Concord.....        | M           | No nlover M.....    | Enos S Robinson.....   | Lizzie F Fo-te'.....   |                        |
| Apr            | 4 Abby M. Moor.....           | 73     | 22      |       | Wakefield.....     | F               | Wakefield.....      | W           | Wakefield.....      | Daniel W Faruham..     | Lucy Clark.....        |                        |
|                | 22 Chas. J. Clark.....        | 68     | 10      | 4     | Amherst.....       | M               | Amherst.....        | M           | Merrimack.....      | Thos. J. Clark.....    | Jane Trow.....         |                        |
|                | 22 George Towne.....          | 65     | 1       |       | Mont Vernon.....   | M               | Fanner.....         | M           | Mont Vernon.....    | James D Towne.....     | Sarah Simonds.....     |                        |
| May            | 3 Abel T. Rideout.....        | 88     | 1       | 10    | Milford.....       | M               | Laborer.....        | M           | Wilton.....         | Jacob Rideout.....     | Catherine E. Dowley..  |                        |
|                | 5 Maude Margaret Turn'r.....  | 25     | 9       | 18    | Nashua.....        | F               | Nashua.....         | M           | Nashua.....         | Wm H Handley.....      | Minday S Peaslee.....  |                        |
|                | 13 B. Frank Whiting.....      | 51     | 13      |       | Amherst.....       | M               | Washington.....     | M           | Washington.....     | Benj B Whiting.....    | Mary A. Mc-sure.....   |                        |
| June           | 27 Frances E. Gage.....       | 43     | 5       |       | Merrimack.....     | F               | Merrimack.....      | M           | Ireland.....        | James Fields.....      | Ida Monson.....        |                        |
|                | Alma Alveda A. Sanford        | 1      | 3       | 21    | Boston Mass.....   | F               | Shoe operator.....  | M           | Sweden.....         | John Sanford.....      | Henrietta S Stinson..  |                        |
| July           | 8 Avlvaro F. Annis.....       | 54     | 9       | 22    | Dunbarton.....     | M               | Mason&farm'r.....   | M           | Dunbarton.....      | Amos H Annis.....      | Sophronia J Bailey.... |                        |
|                | 18 Fred W. Goss.....          | 27     | 24      |       | Spr'g'fd Mass..... | M               | Hanover.....        | M           | Springfield.....    | Nathaniel M Goss....   | John Cochran.....      |                        |
| Sept           | 25 James Cochran.....         | 78     | 2       |       |                    | M               | Fanner.....         | M           |                     | John Cochran.....      | Lovina Batchelder....  |                        |
|                | 16 Frances E. Noyes.....      | 62     | 6       | 1     | Merrimack.....     | F               |                     | W           |                     | Matthew Miller.....    | Content Noble.....     |                        |
| Oct            | 4 Samuel B. Webster.....      | 67     | 6       | 8     | Fairfield Me.....  | M               | Stoddard.....       | M           | Fairfield Me.....   | Samuel Webster.....    | Bridget Fay.....       |                        |
| Nov            | 23 Mary Elizabeth Clarkin     | 4      | 3       | 10    | Amherst.....       | F               | Co Caven Ire.....   | S           | Co Caven Ire.....   | Terrance Clarkin....   | Alice Wood.....        |                        |
|                | 15 Evelyn Alice Potter.....   | 1      | 3       | 15    | Somerv'e Mass      | F               | Charlestown Ms..... | S           | Charlestown Ms..... | Frank T. Potter.....   | Herbert H. Belden....  |                        |
| Dec.           | 25 Alfred Belden.....         | 1      | 6       |       | Amherst.....       | M               | Hatfield Mass.....  | S           | Hatfield Mass.....  | Herbert H. Belden....  | Laura S Dodge.....     |                        |

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